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FROM: Gail Farber *Gail Farber*  
Director of Public Works

### **FIRE DISTRICT DEL VALLE REGIONAL FIRE TRAINING FACILITY AWARD GEOTECHNICAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT – NOVEMBER 5, 2013, AGENDA ITEM NO. 31**

#### Solicitation Background

On January 26, 2012, Public Works issued a request for proposal for geotechnical and environmental consultant services for the Del Valle site. On February 23, 2012, 16 proposals were received. Based on the review and evaluation of the proposals, Langan Engineering and Environmental Services was selected as the most qualified firm to provide the requested services.

On July 6, 2012, Andersen Environmental, the third ranked proposer, submitted a letter protesting the scoring of their proposal on the grounds that there were deficiencies and inconsistencies relating to the Informed Averaging Scoring Methodology of both their and Langan's proposals.

On August 29, 2012, after carefully reviewing the claim, Public Works advised Andersen that the scores would not be adjusted as Public Works found no deficiencies or inconsistencies in the scoring.

On October 11, 2012, Public Works received written communication from Andersen stating their acceptance of Public Works' decision.

On November 29, 2012, the Fire District informed Public Works that the award of the geotechnical and environmental consultant services agreement to Langan should be put on hold pending the resolution of budgetary issues at the Del Valle site.

On August 6, 2013, the Fire District informed Public Works that funding had been identified for the project and requested that we move forward with awarding the agreement to Langan.

#### Issues Raised at Board Meeting

As Ms. Selena Rojhani indicated at the Board meeting, Langan was selected to provide the requested services based on the firm's 40 plus years of experience providing geotechnical, environmental engineering, and site assessment services. Their proposed team includes the following key personnel: Mr. Dan Eberhart, PG, CEG, CPG, who will serve as the contract supervisor/senior administrator; Ms. Dorinda Shipman, PE, CHG, who will serve as Sr. Environmental Consultant; Mr. Rudolph P. Frizzi, PE, GE, D.GE, who will serve as Sr. Geotechnical Consultant; Mr. Mike Chendorian, PE, who will serve as Environmental Lead; and Ms. Diane Firelli, PE, LEED AP, who will serve as Geotechnical Lead. Out of the five key personnel listed above, Mr. Chendorian has left the company and is being replaced by Mr. Keith Gilbert, PG. Public Works has reviewed Mr. Gilbert's resume and finds him well qualified to provide these services. Mr. Gilbert has 22 years of experience managing site environmental assessments (Mr. Chendorian had 16 years of experience). All other proposed staff remain employed by Langan.

All of the certifications included in Langan's proposal, including their Community Business Enterprise Participation, Community Business Enterprise Program Sanctions, Avoidance of Conflict of Interest Certification, EEO Certification, Lobbyist Ordinance Affidavit, Attestation of Willingness to Consider GAIN/GROW Participation, history of past/current contracting with the County over the past three years, False Claims, Civil Litigation History, Criminal Conviction, Contractor Employee Jury Service Program form from Langan and their consultants, Debarment, Labor Law/Payroll Violations, Proposer's Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit, and Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program forms, are up to date and have not changed since the submittal of their proposal on February 23, 2012.

The proposed team is well qualified to provide the requested services, and all of Langan's required certifications are currently up to date. Furthermore, Langan's February 23, 2012, proposal indicates that the firm and its consultants will indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County, Fire District, its agents, appointed and elected officers, County Special Districts, and employees from any and all claims, liabilities, expenses, lawsuits, actions, proceedings, and damages of any nature whatsoever. Furthermore, Langan and their consultants will name the County as additionally insured.

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Therefore, Public Works recommends that the Board award and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to execute a geotechnical and environmental consultant services agreement with Langan.

If you have any questions, please call me or your staff may contact Shari Afshari at (626) 458-4008.

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